

REMARKS

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed on January 31, 2008. The Office Action is entitled a Species Restriction. In this regard, Applicants are to elect a single species from Group I which is as follows: *Clostridium difficile*, *Clostridium perfringens*, *E. coli*, *Leishmania donovani*, *Vibrio cholera*, *Salmonella typhimurium*, *Shingellae*, *Aeromonas hydrophilia*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, and/or enterotoxigenic *Bacteroides fragilis*.

Applicants elect *Clostridium difficile*. Applicants make this election with traverse in that the Patent Office states that at least Claim 1 is generic. Applicants believe all of the claims are generic. Therefore, to the extent the restriction of species was based on the Patent Office's belief that only Claim 1 was generic, Applicants respectfully request that the election of species requirement be withdrawn. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications to the non-elected species.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-1818.

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